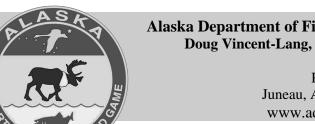
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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #19 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-19-22

The Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area will open to commercial salmon fishing at noon Wednesday, July 27 and remain until further notice.

There will be an 81-hour commercial salmon fishing period from noon Wednesday, July 27 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 30 in the following areas:

- The Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District;
- The Northwest Kodiak District (except the Kizhuyak Bay, Uyak Bay, and Zachar Bay Sections will remain closed); and
- The Duck Bay and Southwest Afognak Section of the Afognak District.

There will be a 57-hour commercial salmon fishing period from noon Wednesday, July 27 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 29 in the following areas:

- The Outer Ayakulik, Halibut Bay, Sturgeon, and Outer Karluk Sections of the Southwest Kodiak
- The Eastside Kodiak District (except that portion of Pasagshak Bay northeast of a line from a point at 57°26.04' N lat. 152°31.13' W long. to a point at 57°25.44' N lat. 152°29.39' W long);
- The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District**;
- The Northwest Afognak, Shuyak Island, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, Northeast Afognak, Southeast Afognak, and Raspberry Straits Sections of the Afognak District; and,
- The Mainland District.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be reduced for 57-hours from noon Wednesday, July 27 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 29 at Saltery Creek (stream# 259-415) to the stream terminus.

The Seaward Zones of the Alinchak Bay, Katmai, Dakavak Bay, Outer Kukak Bay, Hallo Bay, and Big River sections of the Mainland District and the Seaward Zones of the Northwest Afognak and Shuyak Island sections of the Afognak District remain closed.

As previously Announced:

The following areas remain open until further notice:

The Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections of the Afognak District.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced** in **Kitoi Bay** to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324).

Fishermen are reminded that, <u>until further notice</u>, in that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the Cape Igvak Section of the North Shelikof Strait area, as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350). Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.